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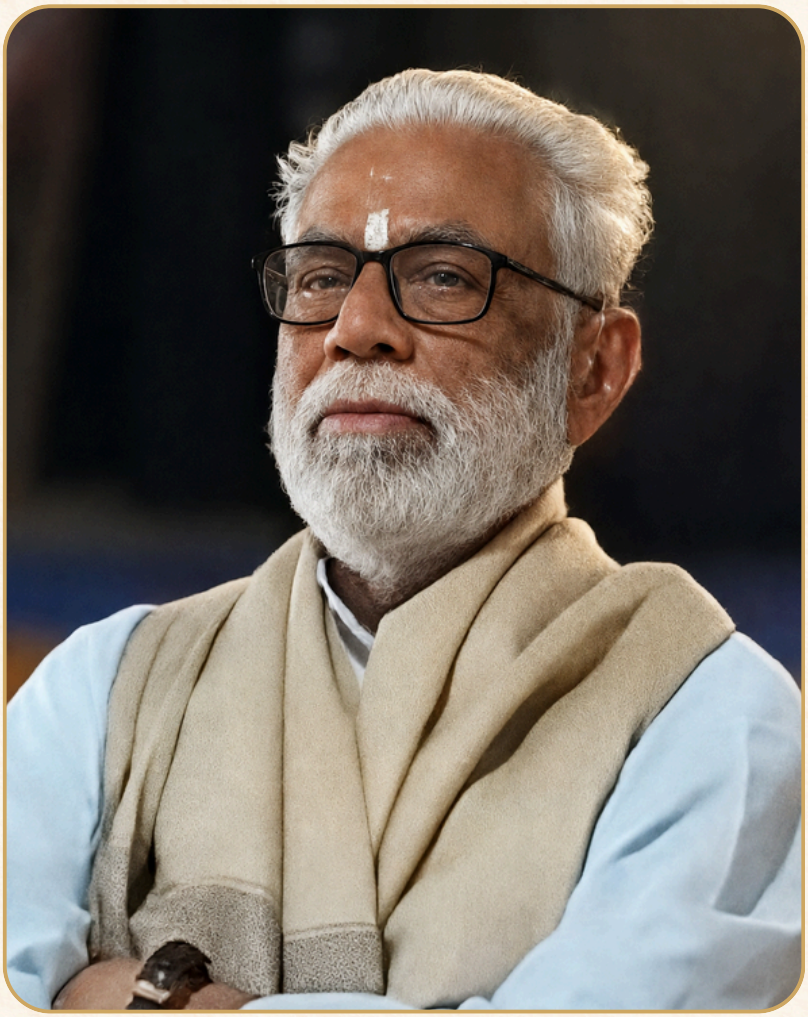
Vivekananda Kendra

SHRADDHANJALI

A Compilation of Condolence Messages



Mananeeya Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji

(3rd May 1938 to 27th August 2026)

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The President, Vivekananda Rock Memorial &
Vivekananda Kendra Kanyakumari

Swami Gautamanandaji Maharaj

President, Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission

I am extremely saddened by demise of Shri A. Balakrishnanji, the President of Vivekananda Kendra. I had a long association with him starting from our days of work at Arunachal Pradesh. He was an extremely sincere and dedicated worker, very simple and humble. He had successfully managed several responsibilities of the Kendra in the field of education and administration. We have lost one of the stalwarts of Vivekananda Kendra.

I pray that his soul rests in peace and blessedness at the feet of the Lord.

Dr. Mohan Bhagwat

POST LINK

Sarsanghchalak, Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh

विवेकानन्द केन्द्र (कन्याकुमारी) के अध्यक्ष श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी के निधन पर रा॰ स्व॰ संघ गहरी संवेदना व्यक्त करता है। श्री बालकृष्णन जी कर्मयोग की साक्षात् प्रतिमूर्ति थे, जिन्होंने अपना सम्पूर्ण जीवन स्वामी विवेकानन्द जी के विश्वबंधुत्व एवं मानव सेवा के संदेश के प्रसार तथा राष्ट्र एवं समाज की सेवा में समर्पित कर दिया। बालकृष्णन जी का सरल जीवन, निःस्वार्थ सेवा, त्याग एवं हिन्दुत्व के प्रति उनकी अटूट निष्ठा सामाजिक कार्यकर्ताओं के लिए सदैव प्रेरणास्रोत बनी रहेगी।

श्री बालकृष्ण जी, स्वामी विवेकानन्द के कार्य को आगे बढ़ाने के लिए कन्याकुमारी स्थित विवेकानन्द केन्द्र के आजीवन समर्पित जीवन व्रति-दल के प्रथम पीढ़ी के कार्यकर्ता थे। उनके निधन से अपने समाज ने एक महान आत्मा को खो दिया है।

हम दिवंगत श्री बालकृष्णन जी को अपनी विनम्र श्रद्धांजलि अर्पित करते हैं तथा परमात्मा से प्रार्थना करते हैं कि इस पुण्यात्मा को परम गति एवं मोक्ष प्रदान करें। ॐ शान्तिः॥

डॉ. मोहन भागवत
सरसंघचालक

दत्तात्रेय होसबाले
सरकार्यवाह
राष्ट्रीय स्वयंसेवक संघ

(Translated from Hindi)

The Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh expresses its profound condolences on the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, President of Vivekananda Kendra (Kanyakumari). Shri Balakrishnan Ji was a living embodiment of Karmayoga, who dedicated his entire life to the propagation of Swami Vivekananda Ji's message of world brotherhood and human service, as well as to the service of the nation and society.

Balakrishnan Ji's simple life, selfless service, sacrifice, and unwavering devotion to Hindutva will forever remain an inspiration for social workers.

Shri Balakrishnan Ji was a first-generation worker of the lifelong dedicated life-vow group of Vivekananda Kendra, Kanyakumari, committed to advancing the work of Swami Vivekananda. With his passing, our society has lost a great soul.

We offer our humble tribute to the departed Shri Balakrishnan Ji and pray to the Almighty that this noble soul be granted the supreme attainment and liberation.

Om Shanti.

Dr. Mohan Bhagwat
Sarsanghchalak

Dattatreya Hosabale
Sarkaryavah
Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh

Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Vice President of India

Deeply saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, President of Vivekananda Kendra.

His life was dedicated to the ideals of Swami Vivekananda ji and the cause of nation-building through service. His invaluable contribution to the growth of Vivekananda Kendra and his tireless efforts to spread the spirit of service and social responsibility will always be remembered with deep gratitude.

My heartfelt condolences to the entire Vivekananda Kendra family, fellow Karyakartas and admirers. May his legacy of selfless service continue to inspire generations.

Shri Narendra Modi

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Prime Minister of India

Deeply saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, who served as the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra.

Balakrishnan Ji devoted more than five decades of his life to the ideals of Swami Vivekananda and to the service of society. As one of the early Jeevanvratis of Vivekananda Kendra, he worked tirelessly across the country. He had a particularly deep association with the Northeast. He played an important role in educational, social and nation-building activities.

My heartfelt condolences to the entire Vivekananda Kendra family and his admirers. Om Shanti.

Shri Amit Shah

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Home Minister of India

Saddened by the demise of A. Balakrishnan Ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra. Balakrishnan Ji was a devout practitioner of the philosophy of Swami Vivekananda Ji and dedicated himself to realising the ideals of the great sage through Vivekananda Kendra. He expanded the vision of the Kendra throughout India, nourishing the nation with our civilisational wisdom. His life will remain a towering edifice of inspiration for generations. My thoughts are with the members of the institution and his admirers. Om Shanti.

Shri S Gurumurthy

POST LINK

Chairman, Vivekananda International Foundation

Balakrishnan ji who gave his whole life to Vivekananda Kendra and thro it to the nation for spiritually oriented service has attained the feet of the Divine.

I knew him and we worked together since 1982 when I came to be associated with the VK. Since then we have been together in every stage of the unfoldment of the mission of VK on the vision of Eknath Ranade who founded the VK.

Balakrishnan ji was the first in the first batch of jeevan vratis trained by Ranade himself.

Balakrishnan ji established the VK work and schools in untreaded areas like Arunachal Pradesh and North East and in Andamans. A karma yogi who was relentless in growing the work both in scale and reach.

During more than 4 decades of our intense association when VK had seen serious challenges to its mission his overwhelming acceptability to all karyakartas enabled the VK to navigate its way to becoming one of the most powerful service organisations in the country

A tireless worker he had insatiable appetite for travel and he travelled through the length and breadth of India to spread the VK work. He was repeatedly hospitalized

The RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat met him last month when he was ill and in hospital. He was telling him how he will recoup and then decide on his travel.

His health was declining but the seven decade workhorse that he was wouldn't lose hope he will be fit for work again

As his age and his renal failure challenged him, his burning desire to travel and work had yield and finally his intense struggle to survive to work came to an end and the octogenarian bramhachari passed away in the early minutes of today

In his demise the VK lost its illustrative leader and karyakarta who held the organisation together after the founder Ranade passed away and I lost a dear colleague in the common mission for Bharath.

Shri Nitin Nabin

POST LINK

National President, Bharatiya Janata Party

Deeply saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji.

A dedicated Jeevanvrati and the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, he devoted his life to advancing the ideals of Swami Vivekananda and national service. His invaluable contributions to education and nation-building, particularly in the North-East, will continue to inspire generations to come.

My deepest condolences to the entire Vivekananda Kendra fraternity and all those who drew inspiration from his life and work.

Om Shanti.

Shri Om Birla

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Speaker of the 18th Lok Sabha

विवेकानंद शिला स्मारक एवं विवेकानंद केंद्र के राष्ट्रीय अध्यक्ष, आजीवन राष्ट्रसेवा को समर्पित जीवनव्रती कार्यकर्ता माननीय श्री ए. बालाकृष्णन जी का देहावसान अत्यंत दुःखद है।

मा. बालाकृष्णन जी ने अपना संपूर्ण जीवन स्वामी विवेकानंद जी के विचारों, राष्ट्र निर्माण, सेवा, संस्कार और चरित्र निर्माण के कार्यों के लिए समर्पित कर दिया था। उनका तपस्वी जीवन, सादगी और समाज के प्रति समर्पण आने वाली पीढ़ियों के लिए सदैव प्रेरणास्रोत रहेगा।
ईश्वर से प्रार्थना है कि पुण्यात्मा को अपने श्रीचरणों में स्थान प्रदान करें तथा विवेकानंद केंद्र परिवार और उनके असंख्य अनुयायियों को यह असहनीय दुःख सहन करने की शक्ति दें।

ॐ शांति।

(Translated from Hindi)

The passing away of the revered Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, National President of Vivekananda Rock Memorial and Vivekananda Kendra, and a lifelong celibate worker dedicated to national service, is extremely heartbreaking.

Shri Balakrishnan Ji devoted his entire life to the ideals of Swami Vivekananda Ji, nation-building, service, cultural inculcation, and character-building endeavors. His ascetic life, simplicity, and dedication to society will forever remain an inspiration for generations to come.

We pray to God to grant the noble soul a place at His divine feet and bestow strength upon the Vivekananda Kendra family and his countless followers to bear this unbearable sorrow.

Shri Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Governor of Keralam & Tamil Nadu

Deeply saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan, All-India President of Vivekananda Kendra, Kanyakumari.
His life was a testament to selfless service, dedication and unwavering commitment to the nation. Inspired by the ideals of Swami Vivekananda and guided by various stalwarts , he devoted his life to serving society and nurturing countless karyakartas.
His simplicity, humility and spirit of service will remain an enduring source of inspiration for generations to come.
My heartfelt condolences to his family, fellow karyakartas and all those associated with Vivekananda Kendra. May his noble soul rest in peace.

Shri Kiren Rijiju

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Union Minister of Parliamentary Affairs of India

Deeply saddened by the passing of Mananeeya A. Balakrishnan ji, a Jeevanvrati Karyakarta & President of Vivekananda Rock Memorial & Vivekananda Kendra. His selfless service, especially his pioneering contribution to education in Arunachal Pradesh, will always be remembered by the people of Arunachal Pradesh & the nation.

A true Karmayogi whose life embodied the spirit of service. My heartfelt condolences to his near & dear ones. May his noble soul rest in eternal peace.

ॐ शांति।।

Office of Lt. Governor of J&K

POST LINK

Saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra. He dedicated his life to the ideals of Swami Vivekananda Ji. Through his leadership & selfless service, he made significant contributions to education, social service & nation-building.

Shri Pema Khandu

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh

Deeply saddened by the passing away of Mananeeya A. Balakrishnan Ji (3 May 1938 – 27 August 2026), Jeevanvrati Karyakarta and President of Vivekananda Rock Memorial & Vivekananda Kendra.

For Arunachal Pradesh, Balakrishnan Ji was not merely a Karyakarta of the Vivekananda Kendra; he was among the pioneers who helped lay the foundation of its educational movement in the state.

After joining the first batch of Jeevanvratis in 1973, he took up the challenging responsibility of working in Arunachal Pradesh during the difficult years of the 1970s. Under his leadership, the Vivekananda Kendra's residential educational movement took root, with the first Vidyalayas beginning in 1977 and subsequently spreading to different parts of the state. (Vivekananda Kendra)

His contribution was recognised by the Government of Arunachal Pradesh with a State Award in 2014 for his exemplary service to educational upliftment.

Balakrishnanji devoted more than five decades of his life to seva, education and nation-building. His association with Arunachal was a long journey of commitment to its children, communities and future.

As we bid farewell to a great Karyakarta, I offer my Vinamra Shraddhanjali to Mananeeya Balakrishnanji.

May his onward journey be peaceful. May the light of wisdom and compassion guide his path.

ॐ शान्तिः शान्तिः शान्तिः।

Shri Himanta Biswa Sarma

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam

विवेकानंद केंद्र के अखिल भारतीय अध्यक्ष श्रद्धेय श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी के निधन का अत्यंत दुःखद समाचार प्राप्त हुआ। एक सच्चे कर्मयोगी और जीवनव्रती कार्यकर्ता के रूप में उन्होंने अपना संपूर्ण जीवन राष्ट्र सेवा को समर्पित कर दिया।

उन्होंने कन्याकुमारी के समुद्र तट से लेकर असम में ब्रह्मपुत्र के तट तक, देशभर में विवेकानंद केंद्रों को नई ऊर्जा से संचालित किया। असम सहित पूर्वोत्तर भारत में शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में उनका योगदान सदैव स्मरण किया जाएगा।

एक सच्चे राष्ट्रभक्त को भावभीनी श्रद्धांजलि। ईश्वर दिवंगत आत्मा को शांति प्रदान करें।

ॐ शांति

(Translated from Hindi)

We have received the extremely sorrowful news of the passing of the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, the revered Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji. As a true karmayogi and a lifelong dedicated worker, he devoted his entire life to the service of the nation.

From the shores of Kanyakumari to the banks of the Brahmaputra in Assam, he infused new energy into Vivekananda Kendra centers across the country. His contributions to the field of education in Assam and Northeast India will forever be remembered.

A heartfelt tribute to a true patriot. May God grant peace to the departed soul.

Om Shanthi

Shri Devendra Fadnavis

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra

Deeply saddened by the demise of Shri A. Balakrishnan ji, former All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, who devoted over five decades to upholding the ideals of Swami Vivekananda ji through selfless service and nation-building.

As one of the early Jeevanvratis of Vivekananda Kendra, he played a significant role in taking its mission across the country. His enduring association with Northeast India and his work in education and social service have left an indelible mark.

His life of dedication and service will continue to inspire generations. My heartfelt condolences to the entire Vivekananda Kendra family and all his devotees.

Om Shanti

Smt. Rekha Gupta

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Delhi

स्वामी विवेकानंद के आदर्शों को जीवन का ध्येय बनाकर राष्ट्रसेवा में समर्पित विवेकानंद केंद्र के अखिल भारतीय अध्यक्ष रहे श्रद्धेय श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी के निधन का समाचार अत्यंत पीड़ादायक है।

स्वामी विवेकानंद के विचारों को जीवनधर्म मानकर उन्होंने पांच दशकों से अधिक समय तक राष्ट्रकार्य, समाज जागरण, शिक्षा और संगठन निर्माण में स्वयं को समर्पित रखा। विशेष रूप से पूर्वोत्तर भारत में उनका योगदान राष्ट्रसेवा की एक प्रेरक परंपरा के रूप में सदैव स्मरण किया जाएगा।

ईश्वर उन्हें अपने श्रीचरणों में स्थान प्रदान करें एवं विवेकानंद केंद्र परिवार, कार्यकर्ताओं और उनके असंख्य शुभचिंतकों को यह असीम दुःख सहन करने की शक्ति दें।

ॐ शांति।

(Translated from Hindi)

The news of the passing of the revered Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, who served as the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra—an institution dedicated to national service with the ideals of Swami Vivekananda as its life's mission—is extremely heartbreaking.

Embracing the thoughts of Swami Vivekananda as the very essence of life, he devoted himself for over five decades to national endeavors, social awakening, education, and organizational development. In particular, his contributions in Northeast India will forever be remembered as an inspiring tradition of national service.

May God grant him a place at His sacred feet and bestow upon the Vivekananda Kendra family, its workers, and his countless well-wishers the strength to bear this boundless sorrow.

Om Shanti.

Dr. Mohan Yadav

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh

'विवेकानंद केंद्र' के अखिल भारतीय अध्यक्ष श्रद्धेय श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी के निधन का समाचार अत्यंत दुखद है।

राष्ट्रसेवा को साधना मानते हुए समाज जागरण, पूर्वोत्तर भारत में शिक्षा के विस्तार और युवाओं में सेवा व राष्ट्रभावना जागृत करने के उनके प्रयास सदैव प्रेरणादायी रहेंगे।

बाबा महाकाल से प्रार्थना है कि दिवंगत को अपने श्रीचरणों में स्थान दें और परिजनों व शुभचिंतकों को यह अपार दु:ख सहने की शक्ति प्रदान करें।

ॐ शांति।

(Translated from Hindi)

The news of the passing of the All India President of 'Vivekananda Kendra', the revered Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, is extremely heartbreaking.

Having regarded national service as a sacred duty, his efforts in societal awakening, the expansion of education in Northeast India, and instilling a spirit of service and patriotism among the youth will forever remain a source of inspiration.

I pray to Baba Mahakal that the departed soul be granted a place at His divine feet, and that the family and well-wishers be bestowed with the strength to bear this immense sorrow.

Om Shanti.

Shri Pushkar Singh Dhami

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttarakhand

विवेकानंद केंद्र के अखिल भारतीय अध्यक्ष श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी के निधन का समाचार अत्यंत पीड़ादायक है।

स्वामी विवेकानंद जी के आदर्शों और राष्ट्रनिर्माण के संकल्प को आत्मसात करते हुए बालकृष्णन जी ने अपना जीवन सेवा, संस्कार और सामाजिक जागरण के कार्यों के लिए समर्पित किया। विवेकानंद केंद्र के माध्यम से उन्होंने देश के विभिन्न हिस्सों में भारतीय संस्कृति, अध्यात्म और ज्ञान परंपरा के मूल्यों को जन-जन तक पहुंचाने में उल्लेखनीय भूमिका निभाई।

ईश्वर से प्रार्थना है कि पुण्यात्मा को श्रीचरणों में स्थान एवं शोकाकुल परिजनों, विवेकानंद केंद्र के कार्यकर्ताओं को यह दुःख सहन करने की शक्ति प्रदान करें।

ॐ शांति।

(Translated from Hindi)

The news of the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, is extremely heartbreaking.

Embracing the ideals of Swami Vivekananda Ji and the resolve for nation-building, Balakrishnan Ji dedicated his life to the works of service, cultural inculcation, and social awakening. Through Vivekananda Kendra, he played a remarkable role in taking the values of Indian culture, spirituality, and knowledge tradition to people across various parts of the country.

We pray to God to grant the noble soul a place at His divine feet and provide strength to the grieving family and the workers of Vivekananda Kendra to bear this sorrow.

Om Shanti.

Shri Samrat Choudhary

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Bihar

विवेकानंद केंद्र के अखिल भारतीय अध्यक्ष श्रद्धेय श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी के निधन का समाचार अत्यंत पीड़ादायक है।

राष्ट्रसेवा को जीवन का ध्येय बनाकर उन्होंने शिक्षा, समाज जागरण और राष्ट्रीय एकता के लिए निरंतर कार्य किया। विशेषकर पूर्वोत्तर भारत में शिक्षा के प्रसार तथा युवाओं में सेवा एवं राष्ट्रभाव की चेतना जगाने में उनका योगदान सदैव स्मरणीय रहेगा। उनका जीवन आने वाली पीढ़ियों को राष्ट्र के प्रति समर्पण की प्रेरणा देता रहेगा।

श्रद्धेय श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी को भावभीनी श्रद्धांजलि। ईश्वर दिवंगत आत्मा को अपने श्रीचरणों में स्थान दें तथा शोकाकुल परिवार को इस दुःख को सहने की शक्ति प्रदान करें।

ॐ शांति।

(Translated from Hindi)

The news of the passing of the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, the revered Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, is extremely heartbreaking.

Having made service to the nation the aim of his life, he continuously worked for education, social awakening, and national unity. His contribution, especially in spreading education in Northeast India and awakening the spirit of service and patriotism among the youth, will always be remembered. His life will continue to inspire future generations with dedication to the nation.

Heartfelt homage to the revered Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji. May God grant a place at His holy feet to the departed soul and provide strength to the bereaved family to bear this sorrow.

Om Shanti

Shri Bhajanlal Sharma

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Rajasthan

विवेकानंद केंद्र के अखिल भारतीय अध्यक्ष आदरणीय श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी के निधन का समाचार अत्यंत दुखद है।

उनका सरल जीवन, निःस्वार्थ सेवा, त्याग एवं हिन्दुत्व के प्रति अटूट निष्ठा तथा स्वामी विवेकानंद जी के विचारों एवं कार्यों को आगे बढ़ाते हुए राष्ट्र निर्माण के प्रति उनका समर्पण सदैव स्मरणीय रहेगा।

ईश्वर दिवंगत आत्मा को अपने श्रीचरणों में स्थान दें तथा उनके परिजनों, अनुयायियों और शुभचिंतकों को यह असीम दुख सहन करने की शक्ति प्रदान करें।

ॐ शांति!

(Translated from Hindi)

The news of the passing of the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, the revered Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, is extremely heartbreaking.

His simple life, selfless service, sacrifice, unwavering devotion to Hindutva, and dedication to nation-building by advancing the ideals and works of Swami Vivekananda Ji will forever remain memorable.
May God grant the departed soul a place at His divine feet and bestow upon his family, followers, and well-wishers the strength to bear this boundless sorrow.

Om Shanti!

Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare

विवेकानंद रॉक मेमोरियल एवं विवेकानंद केंद्र के अध्यक्ष श्रद्धेय ए. बालकृष्ण जी के निधन का समाचार अत्यंत दुःखद है।
पूज्य स्वामी विवेकानंद जी के महान विचारों को जन- जन तक पहुँचाने में आपने अपना सम्पूर्ण जीवन समर्पित कर दिया। विशेषकर पूर्वोत्तर भारत में शिक्षा, सेवा एवं भारतीयता के भाव को और अधिक व्यापक बनाने में आपका महनीय योगदान प्रणम्य है।
ईश्वर से प्रार्थना है कि दिवंगत पुण्यात्मा को श्रीचरणों में स्थान दें एवं सम्पूर्ण विवेकानंद परिवार और उनके प्रशंसकों के प्रति मेरी गहरी संवेदनाएं हैं।
ॐ शांति:!

(Translated from Hindi)

The news of the passing of the revered A. Balakrishna Ji, President of the Vivekananda Rock Memorial and Vivekananda Kendra, is extremely heartbreaking.
You devoted your entire life to spreading the great ideals of the revered Swami Vivekananda Ji to every individual. In particular, your invaluable contribution in expanding education, service, and the spirit of Indianness even further in Northeast India is truly praiseworthy.
I pray to God to grant the departed noble soul a place at His divine feet, and my deepest condolences are with the entire Vivekananda family and their admirers.
Om Shanti:

Shri Nitin Gadkari

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Minister of Road Transport & Highways

Deeply saddened by the demise of A. Balakrishnan Ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra. His life was dedicated to carrying forward the ideals and vision of Swami Vivekananda Ji and strengthening the nation through our civilisational wisdom. His selfless service and inspiring legacy will continue to guide generations. Om Shanti.

Shri Piyush Goyal

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Union Minister of Commerce & Industry

Deeply saddened by the demise of Shri A. Balakrishnan ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra.

He was a devoted follower of the ideals of Swami Vivekananda ji and dedicated his life to serving society and the nation. His contributions to education, social service and national development will always be remembered.

My heartfelt condolences to his loved ones, well-wishers and the entire Vivekananda Kendra family. Om Shanti.

Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare , Minister of Rural Development

Pained to learn about the passing of A. Balakrishnan Ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra.

Balakrishnan Ji's life was a remarkable example of commitment to Seva and nation-building. For more than five decades, he remained dedicated to carrying forward the vision and teachings of Swami Vivekananda. As an early Jeevanvrati of Vivekananda Kendra, he travelled and worked across different parts of the country, dedicating himself to the welfare of society. His contribution to the Northeast, particularly in the fields of education and social development, was especially significant.

I extend my sincere condolences to his family and well-wishers. May God bless the departed soul, and may his noble legacy continue to inspire generations.

Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Union Minister of Culture and Tourism

विवेकानंद केंद्र के अखिल भारतीय अध्यक्ष श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी के देहावसान का समाचार अत्यंत दुःखद है।
स्वामी विवेकानंद जी के विचारों को अपने जीवन का ध्येय बनाकर बालकृष्णन जी ने विवेकानंद केंद्र के माध्यम से राष्ट्रसेवा और भारतीय ज्ञान-परंपरा के प्रसार में महत्वपूर्ण योगदान दिया। उनके प्रयासों से केंद्र का कार्य देशभर में व्यापक हुआ।
उनका समर्पित जीवन सदैव प्रेरणा देता रहेगा। विवेकानंद केंद्र के सभी सदस्यों एवं उनके अनुयायियों के प्रति मेरी गहरी संवेदनाएँ।

ॐ शांति।

(Translated from Hindi)

The news of the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, is extremely heartbreaking.

Making the thoughts of Swami Vivekananda Ji the aim of his life, Balakrishnan Ji made significant contributions to national service and the dissemination of Indian knowledge traditions through Vivekananda Kendra. Due to his efforts, the work of the Kendra expanded across the entire country.

His dedicated life will forever remain an inspiration. My deepest condolences to all members of Vivekananda Kendra and his followers.

Om Shanti.

Shri Sarbananda Sonowal

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways, Government of India

Saddened by the demise of Shri A Balakrishnan Ji. As an early Jeevanvrati of Vivekananda Kendra and a lifelong adherent to the ideals of Swami Vivekananda Ji, he spent decades serving society and integrating the Northeast through education.

My deepest condolences to his admirers and the Kendra Parivar. Om Shanti.

Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Union Minister for Communications and Development of North Eastern Region

Saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra and one of the earliest Jeevanvratis, part of the founding generation who gave their lives entirely to Swami Vivekananda's vision of Manav Nirman, Rashtra Nirman.

Across five decades of service, he held an abiding and heartfelt bond with the Northeast, dedicating himself to its educational and social upliftment.

My heartfelt condolences to the entire Kendra parivar and all those whose lives he touched. Om Shanti

Shri Pabitra Margherita

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Union Minister of State for External Affairs; and Textiles

Deeply saddened by the passing of Mananeeya Shri A. Balakrishnan ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra.

A committed disciple of Swami Vivekananda ji's ideals, he dedicated his life to the service of society and the nation. His invaluable contributions to education, social service and nation-building will remain an enduring legacy.

My heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, well-wishers and the entire Vivekananda Kendra fraternity. May his soul rest in peace.

Om Shanti.

Smt Smriti Z Irani

POST LINK

The Hon'ble National General Secretary, BJP

Saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, whose life was a remarkable example of selfless service and unwavering commitment to the nation.

His decades of dedicated work, particularly for the people of the Northeast, left a lasting impact on countless lives. His contribution to nurturing young minds and strengthening communities will be remembered with deep respect.

My heartfelt condolences to the entire Vivekananda Kendra family and his countless well-wishers. Om Shanti.

Shri Chowna Mein

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh

Deeply saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan ji, Jeevanvrati Karyakarta and President of Vivekananda Rock Memorial & Vivekananda Kendra.

A selfless Karmayogi, he devoted his life to the mission of Man-Making and Nation-Building. From Arunachal Pradesh to the length and breadth of Bharat, his dedication and service will remain an eternal inspiration.

My heartfelt condolences to all the family members and admirers of Ma. Balakrishnan ji. May his noble soul rest in eternal peace.

Ohm Shanti

Smt Diya Kumari

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister - Rajasthan

विवेकानंद रॉक मेमोरियल एवं विवेकानंद केंद्र के अध्यक्ष आदरणीय श्री ए. बालकृष्ण जी के निधन का समाचार अत्यंत दुःखद है।

स्वामी विवेकानंद जी के राष्ट्र निर्माण, सेवा और मानव कल्याण के विचारों को समाज के अंतिम व्यक्ति तक पहुँचाने में बालकृष्ण जी का जीवन अतुलनीय समर्पण का प्रतीक रहा।

ईश्वर पुण्यात्मा को अपने श्रीचरणों में स्थान प्रदान करें तथा शोकाकुल परिजनों, सहयोगियों एवं असंख्य प्रशंसकों को यह अपार दुःख सहन करने की शक्ति दें।

ॐ शांति!

(Translated from Hindi)

The news of the passing of the revered Shri A. Balakrishna Ji, President of the Vivekananda Rock Memorial and Vivekananda Kendra, is extremely heartbreaking.

Shri Balakrishna Ji's life has been a symbol of unparalleled dedication in taking the ideals of nation-building, service, and human welfare of Swami Vivekananda Ji to every last person in society.

May God grant the noble soul a place at His divine feet and bestow strength upon the grieving family, colleagues, and countless admirers to bear this immense sorrow.

Om Shanti!

Shri Brajesh Pathak

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Government of Uttar Pradesh

विवेकानंद केंद्र के अखिल भारतीय अध्यक्ष के रूप में राष्ट्र एवं समाज की सेवा में अपना जीवन समर्पित करने वाले श्रद्धेय ए० बालकृष्णन जी के निधन की सूचना अत्यंत दु:खद एवं हृदयविदारक है।

स्व० बालकृष्णन जी ने स्वामी विवेकानंद जी के विचारों, आदर्शों और राष्ट्र निर्माण के संदेश को जन-जन तक पहुँचाने के लिए अपना संपूर्ण जीवन समर्पित कर दिया।

विशेषकर पूर्वोत्तर भारत में शिक्षा, सामाजिक जागरण, सेवा और राष्ट्र निर्माण के क्षेत्र में उनका दशकों का योगदान सदैव प्रेरणादायी एवं अविस्मरणीय रहेगा।

उनका जीवन सेवा, समर्पण और राष्ट्रभक्ति की ऐसी अमिट मिसाल है, जो आने वाली पीढ़ियों को सदैव प्रेरित करती रहेगी।

ईश्वर गोलोकवासी पुण्यात्मा को अपने श्रीचरणों में स्थान दें तथा विवेकानंद केंद्र परिवार, उनके सहयोगियों एवं असंख्य प्रशंसकों को यह अपार दु:ख सहन करने की शक्ति प्रदान करें।

ॐ शांति!!!

(Translated from Hindi)

The news of the passing of the revered A. Balakrishnan Ji, who dedicated his entire life to the service of the nation and society as the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, is extremely heartbreaking and soul-rending.
The late Balakrishnan Ji devoted his entire life to spreading the thoughts, ideals, and message of nation-building of Swami Vivekananda Ji to every individual.
His decades-long contribution, especially in the field of education, social awakening, service, and nation-building in Northeast India, will forever remain inspiring and unforgettable.
His life stands as an indelible example of service, dedication, and patriotism, which will continue to inspire generations to come.
May the Almighty grant a place at His divine feet to the virtuous soul who has attained Goloka, and bestow the strength to bear this immense sorrow upon the Vivekananda Kendra family, his associates, and countless admirers.

Om Shanti!!!

Shri Keshav Prasad Maurya

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Government of Uttar Pradesh

विवेकानंद केंद्र के अखिल भारतीय अध्यक्ष के रूप में सेवा देने वाले श्रद्धेय श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी के निधन का समाचार अत्यंत दुःखद है। मेरी गहन संवेदनाएं विवेकानंद केंद्र परिवार एवं उनके सभी प्रशंसकों के साथ हैं।

श्री बालकृष्णन जी ने अपना संपूर्ण जीवन स्वामी विवेकानंद जी के विचारों और आदर्शों को जन-जन तक पहुंचाने तथा समाज सेवा के लिए समर्पित किया। दशकों तक उनकी समर्पित सेवा, विशेषकर पूर्वोत्तर भारत में शिक्षा, सामाजिक उत्थान एवं राष्ट्र निर्माण के क्षेत्र में उनका योगदान सदैव स्मरणीय रहेगा।

ईश्वर दिवंगत पुण्यात्मा को अपने श्रीचरणों में स्थान दें तथा उनके सभी प्रशंसकों को यह अपार दुःख सहन करने की शक्ति प्रदान करें।

ॐ शांति!

(Translated from Hindi)

The news of the passing of the revered Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, who served as the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, is extremely heartbreaking. My deepest condolences are with the Vivekananda Kendra family and all his admirers.

Shri Balakrishnan Ji dedicated his entire life to spreading the thoughts and ideals of Swami Vivekananda Ji to every individual and to the cause of social service. His dedicated service over decades, particularly his contributions in the fields of education, social upliftment, and nation-building in Northeast India, will forever remain memorable.

May the Lord grant a place at His sacred feet to the departed noble soul and bestow strength upon all his admirers to bear this immense sorrow.

Om Shanti!

Shri Naveen Jindal

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Member of Parliament

Deeply pained by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra.

Balakrishnan Ji exemplified the teachings of Swami Vivekananda Ji, dedicating his entire life to nation-building, social service, and preserving our civilisational values. His tireless efforts in expanding the reach of Vivekananda Kendra across the country will continue to inspire generations of workers and citizens.

My heartfelt condolences to the entire
@vkendra
family and his countless followers. May his noble soul attain Sadgati.

Om Shanti!

Shri Captain Brijesh Chowta

The Hon'ble Member of Parliament

POST LINK

Deeply saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra.

One of the first Jeevanvrati Karyakartas of Vivekananda Kendra, he dedicated over five decades of his life to the ideals of Swami Vivekananda and the service of Bharat. His pioneering work in the Northeast, particularly in taking education to the remotest parts of Arunachal Pradesh, remains a remarkable legacy.

A true Karmayogi, whose life was an embodiment of selfless service, simplicity and dedication.

My heartfelt condolences to the entire Vivekananda Kendra family.

ॐ शान्ति:

Lok Bhavan, West Bengal

POST LINK

Deeply saddened by the demise of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji. He devoted his life to the ideals of Swami Vivekananda and dedicated himself to the service of society and the nation. Through Vivekananda Kendra, he worked tirelessly to advance education and social service and to take these ideals to people across the country.

His life of selfless service and unwavering devotion will continue to inspire generations. My heartfelt condolences to the entire Vivekananda Kendra family and his countless admirers.

Om Shanti!

Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad

POST LINK

ABVP pays its heartfelt tribute to Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, Chairman of Vivekananda Rock Memorial and Vivekananda Kendra, Kanyakumari.

A true Karmayogi, he dedicated over five decades to Swami Vivekananda's ideals, nation-building and selfless service. His profound contribution to the sacred cause of education, particularly through his pioneering work in Arunachal Pradesh, brought the light of knowledge and service to remote regions.
His life of dedication and service will remain an enduring inspiration for generations. Our heartfelt condolences to his family and countless well-wishers.

Om Shanti.

Vishva Hindu Parishad -VHP

POST LINK

Deeply saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, All India President of Vivekananda Rock Memorial and Vivekananda Kendra, Kanyakumari.
After serving 16 years in the Indian Air Force, he left service in 1973 to become a Jeevanvrati in the first batch of Vivekananda Kendra, trained by founder Shri Eknath Ranade Ji himself.

He strengthened the Kendra's nation-building mission. His monumental contributions — organizing the 22,000 km journey from Kolkata to Kanyakumari, and pioneering Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalayas in Arunachal Pradesh in 1977 that brought education to remote border areas, will continue to inspire generations.

He devoted more than five decades of his life to the ideals of Swami Vivekananda and to the service of the nation.

Our heartfelt Shradhanjali. May his soul attain sadgati.
Om Shanti

Shri Dr. Anirban Ganguly

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Chairman: Dr Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation

Ma. Balakrishnan Ji's passing is the end an era. Many happy and inspiring memories of meeting him and spending time with him come crowding in one's mind at such a time.

One of our most cherished moments with him was when he personally took us around the grand "Ramayana Museum" that he had conceived and completed at Vivekananda Kendra in Kanyakumari.

He radiated the ideals of Seva & Tyaga and each time I met him, these words of Swami Ji invariably came to my mind:

"Take up one idea. Make that one idea your life, think of it, dream of it, live on that idea. Let the brain, muscles, nerves, every part of your body, be full of that idea, and just leave every other idea alone…"

Ma. Balakrishnan Ji embodied and radiated that supreme injunction. His ebullience, positive energy, contagious humour was always reinvigorating. He shall be missed, but his ideals, contribution and legacy will live on through the dynamic work and movement of which he was a pillar and an integral part.

Sri Ram, Jaya Ram, Jaya Jaya Ram…

Shri P Muralidhar Rao

POST LINK

The Hon'ble National Convenor Swadeshi Manch

I join the Vivekananda Kendra Kanyakumari family and countless admirers in offering my heartfelt condolences on the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan ji.

He was a personification of simple living, selfless service and unwavering commitment to the larger cause of nation-building, inspired by the life and message of Swami Vivekananda.

My association with Balakrishnan ji was close and longstanding. I had the privilege of receiving his guidance and support during my work with the Swadeshi Movement across the country. His quiet dedication, humility and total commitment to the national cause left a deep impression on me.

He devoted his entire life to carrying forward Swami Vivekananda ji's vision of a strong, awakened and self-confident Bharat. His contribution to the work of Vivekananda Kendra, Kanyakumari and to nation-building will remain an enduring source of inspiration.

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Shri Sundaram

POST LINK

National Convenor, Swadeshi Jagaran Manch

With profound grief I share the passing away of the President of the Vivekananda Kendra Sh. Balakrishnan ji. His very long dedicated service to the nation is not measurable. Personally I had the divine grace to be associated with him for a long time Om Shanthi and Prayers

Shri Ashwani Mahajan

POST LINK

National Co- convenor Swadeshi Jagran Manch

With profound grief, we mourn the passing of Mananeeya Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, President of Vivekananda Kendra. His lifelong service, simplicity, dedication, and devotion to Bharat will remain an enduring inspiration.

Shri J Nandakumar

POST LINK

National Convenor Prajna Pravah

Deeply saddened by the passing of Mananeeya Shri A Balakrishnan ji, Akhila Bharatiya President of Vivekananda Kendra, Kanyakumari. An embodiment of sewa as envisioned by Swami Vivekananda, his unwavering commitment to the nation and his guidance nurtured generations of karyakartas, inspiring countless sevavratis to walk the path of dedication and discipline. He closely worked with the likes of Mananeeya Eknath Ranade ji and Mananeeya Parameswar ji. In his demise, the nation has lost a visionary leader, and the Vivekananda Kendra family has lost a guiding light. May his Atma attain Moksha. His legacy will continue to inspire us in our journey of service to Bharat Mata. Om Shanti.

Smt Dr Tamilisai Soundararajan

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Former Governor of Telangana

கன்னியாகுமரி விவேகானந்த கேந்திரத்தின் தலைவர் மரியாதைக்குரிய திருபாலகிருஷ்ணன் அவர்கள் காலமான செய்தி மிகுந்த வேதனையையும் வருத்தத்தையும் அளிக்கிறது.

விவேகானந்த கேந்திரத்தின் வளர்ச்சியிலும், விரிவாக்கத்திலும் சிறப்பான பங்காற்றியதோடு, தலைமுறைகளைக் கடந்து எண்ணற்ற கார்யகர்த்தர்களுக்கு ஊக்கமும் வழிகாட்டுதலும் அளித்தவர்.
சேவை, தியாகம், தேசப்பற்று, அர்ப்பணிப்பு என கேந்திரத்தின் உயரிய லட்சியங்களைத் தனது வாழ்நாள் முழுவதும் கடைப்பிடித்த அவரது மறைவு, இந்து சமுதாயத்திற்கும், தேசத்திற்காகப் பணியாற்றும் அனைத்து இயக்கங்களுக்கும் பேரிழப்பாகும்.
அன்னாரது ஆன்மா எல்லாம் வல்ல இறைவன் திருவடியில் இளைப்பாற பிரார்த்திக்கிறேன்.

(Translated from Tamil)

The news of the passing of Thiru Balakrishnan, the respected President of the Kanyakumari Vivekananda Kendra, brings immense sorrow and grief.

He not only played an exemplary role in the growth and expansion of the Vivekananda Kendra but also provided inspiration and guidance to countless karyakartas across generations.

His demise represents a profound loss to the Hindu community and all movements dedicated to serving the nation, as he steadfastly upheld the Kendra's noble ideals of service, sacrifice, patriotism, and dedication throughout his entire life.

I pray that his soul rests in peace at the divine feet of the all-powerful Lord.

Shri Pijush Hazarika

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture, Irrigation, Parliamentary Affairs, Govt of Assam

माननीय ए. बालकृष्णन जी, जीवनव्रती कार्यकर्ता एवं विवेकानंद रॉक मेमोरियल तथा विवेकानंद केंद्र के अध्यक्ष, के निधन से गहरा दुःख हुआ।

असम में शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में उनके अग्रणी योगदान को राज्य तथा राष्ट्र द्वारा सदैव स्मरण किया जाएगा।

एक सच्चे कर्मयोगी को विनम्र श्रद्धांजलि। शोक संतप्त परिजनों के प्रति हार्दिक संवेदना।

ॐ शांति॥

(Translated from Hindi)

We are deeply saddened by the passing of the esteemed A. Balakrishnan Ji, lifelong dedicated worker and President of the Vivekananda Rock Memorial and Vivekananda Kendra.

His pioneering contributions in the field of education in Assam will forever be remembered by the state and the nation.

Humble tribute to a true karma yogi. Heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family members.

Om Shanti.

Shri Vijay Kumar Sinha

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Agriculture Minister, Bihar

विवेकानंद केंद्र के अखिल भारतीय अध्यक्ष श्रद्धेय श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी के निधन का समाचार अत्यंत दु:खद एवं मन को व्यथित करने वाला है।

उन्होंने अपना जीवन राष्ट्रसेवा, समाज जागरण, शिक्षा के प्रसार और राष्ट्रीय एकता के लिए समर्पित कर दिया। विशेष रूप से पूर्वोत्तर भारत में शिक्षा और सेवा के माध्यम से समाज को सशक्त बनाने तथा युवाओं में राष्ट्रभाव जगाने के उनके प्रयास सदैव याद किए जाएंगे।

ईश्वर दिवंगत पुण्यात्मा को अपने श्रीचरणों में स्थान दें तथा शोकाकुल परिवार एवं उनके सभी शुभचिंतकों को इस अपार दु:ख को सहने की शक्ति प्रदान करें।

श्रद्धेय श्री ए. बालकृष्णन जी को भावभीनी श्रद्धांजलि।

ॐ शांति!

(Translated from Hindi)

The news of the passing of the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, the revered Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, is extremely sorrowful and heart-wrenching.

He dedicated his entire life to national service, social awakening, the spread of education, and fostering national unity. In particular, his efforts to empower society through education and service in Northeast India, and to awaken a sense of patriotism among the youth, will forever be remembered.

May the Lord grant a place at His divine feet to the departed noble soul and bestow strength upon the bereaved family and all his well-wishers to bear this immense grief.

Heartfelt homage to the revered Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji.

Om Shanti!

Shri Upendrra Rai

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Chairman & Managing Director, Editor-in-Chief, Bharat Express News Network

PM @narendramodi posts, "Deeply saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, who served as the All India President of #VivekanandaKendra. Balakrishnan Ji devoted more than five decades of his life to the ideals of #SwamiVivekananda and to the service of society. As one of the early #Jeevanvratis of Vivekananda Kendra, he worked tirelessly across the country. He had a particularly deep association with the #Northeast. He played an important role in educational, social and nation-building activities. My heartfelt condolences to the entire Vivekananda Kendra family and his admirers. Om Shanti."
@PMOIndia

Shri Virendraa Sachdeva

POST LINK

Former President, BJP Delhi

Deeply saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra.

A dedicated Jeevanvrati, he devoted his life to the ideals of Swami Vivekananda Ji and to the service of society and the nation.
His contributions to education, social service and nation-building, particularly in the Northeast, will remain an enduring source of inspiration.

My heartfelt condolences to the entire Vivekananda Kendra family and all those inspired by his life and work.

Om Shanti.

Shri Vijayendra Yediyurappa

POST LINK

The Hon'ble MLA, State President BJP Karnataka

Deeply saddened by the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra.
A true Karma Yogi and devoted sevak of Bharat, he dedicated his life to carrying forward the timeless ideals of Swami Vivekananda ji through selfless service. His remarkable contribution to education, social transformation and nation building inspired countless people and strengthened the spirit of seva and national awakening.
His passing is a profound loss to the Vivekananda Kendra fraternity and all those inspired by his life and work. My heartfelt condolences to his family, colleagues and admirers. May his legacy of seva, dedication and Rashtra Bhakti continue to inspire generations.
Om Shanti

POST LINK

Shri A.N.SUBRAMANIA PRASAD

The Hon'ble TamilNadu BJP Former State Media President

Deeply saddened by the passing of Mananeeya Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, All India President of #VivekanandaKendra and Chairman of the #VivekanandaRockMemorial, #Kanyakumari.
A first-batch #Jeevanvrati of 1973 under #EknathjiRanade , he dedicated more than five decades to Swami Vivekananda's vision of man making and nation building. After serving in the #IndianAirForce , he chose a life of seva.
He played a pioneering role in taking #VivekanandaKendraVidyalayas to remote and border regions of #ArunachalPradesh , strengthening education, character-building and national integration in the Northeast.
His life stood for selfless service, social responsibility and the living spirit of Bharat's civilisational values.
Heartfelt condolences to the entire Vivekananda Kendra family, Karyakartas and admirers.
May his legacy of seva continue to inspire generations.
Om Shanti.

Shri Ravindra Chavan

POST LINK

The Hon'ble President, BJP Maharashtra

ध्येयासक्त व्यक्तिमत्त्वास भावपूर्ण श्रद्धांजली!

विवेकानंद शिला स्मारक आणि विवेकानंद केंद्राचे अध्यक्ष श्री. ए. बालकृष्णन जी यांच्या निधनाने एक ध्येयासक्त आणि समर्पित व्यक्तिमत्त्व हरपले आहे.
विवेकानंद केंद्राचे अखिल भारतीय अध्यक्ष म्हणून त्यांनी पाच दशकांहून अधिक काळ स्वामी विवेकानंदांच्या विचारांचा प्रचार आणि प्रसार करण्यासाठी आपले संपूर्ण जीवन समर्पित केले.
तसेच देशभर, विशेषत: ईशान्य भारतात, शैक्षणिक, सामाजिक आणि राष्ट्रनिर्माणाच्या कार्यात मोलाचे योगदान दिले.
ए. बालकृष्णनजी यांच्या आत्म्यास सद्गती लाभो. विवेकानंद केंद्र परिवार आणि त्यांच्या असंख्य चाहत्यांच्या दु:खात भाजपा महाराष्ट्र परिवार सहभागी आहे. त्यांना या दु:खातून सावरण्याचे बळ मिळो, हीच ईश्वरचरणी प्रार्थना!

ॐ शांती

(Translated from Hindi)

A heartfelt tribute to a mission-dedicated personality!

With the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan ji, Chairman of Vivekananda Rock Memorial and Vivekananda Kendra, a mission-dedicated and devoted personality has been lost.
As the All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, he dedicated his entire life for over five decades to the propagation and dissemination of Swami Vivekananda's ideas.
He also made invaluable contributions to educational, social, and nation-building efforts across the country, especially in Northeast India.
May Shri A. Balakrishnan ji's soul attain eternal peace. The BJP Maharashtra family stands in solidarity with the Vivekananda Kendra family and his countless admirers in their grief. May they find the strength to recover from this sorrow—this is our prayer at the feet of the Lord!

Om Shanti

Shri Nainar Nagenthran

POST LINK

The Hon'ble State President - TN BJP

இன்றைய தினம் கன்னியாகுமரி விவேகானந்த கேந்திரா தலைவர் திரு. பாலகிருஷ்ணன் ஜி அவர்கள் காலமானார் என்ற செய்தி கேட்டு மிகவும் வருத்தம் அடைந்தேன்.
திரு. பாலகிருஷ்ணன் ஜி அவர்கள் விவேகானந்த கேந்திராவின் 1981-2001 வரை பொதுச் செயலாளராகவும், 2001-2020 வரை துணைத் தலைவராகவும், 2020 முதல் தலைவராகவும் பணியாற்றினார்.
வடகிழக்கு மண்டலத்தில் பணியைத் தொடங்கி, அருணாச்சலப் பிரதேசத்தில் பல்வேறு பொறுப்புகளை வகித்தார்.
விவேகானந்த கேந்திராவின் நிறுவனர் ஏக்நாத்ஜி ரானடேவின் வழிகாட்டுதலில் பயிற்சி பெற்ற இவர், சுவாமி விவேகானந்தரின் லட்சியங்களுக்காக வாழ்நாள் முழுவதும் சேவையாற்றினார்.
அவரது எளிமை, தியாகம், அர்ப்பணிப்பு மற்றும் சேவைப் பாரம்பரியம் என்றும் உத்வேகமாகத் திகழும்.
அவரது ஆன்மா சாந்தியடைய எல்லாம் வல்ல இறைவனை பிரார்த்திக்கிறேன்.

ஓம் சாந்தி!

(Translated from Tamil)

I was deeply saddened to hear the news of the passing of Mr. G. Balakrishnan, President of the Vivekananda Kendra Kanyakumari.
Mr. G. Balakrishnan served as the General Secretary of Vivekananda Kendra from 1981 to 2001, as Vice President from 2001 to 2020, and as President from 2020 onwards.
He began his service in the Northeast region and held various responsibilities in Arunachal Pradesh.
Trained under the guidance of Eknathji Ranade, the founder of Vivekananda Kendra, he dedicated his entire life to the ideals of Swami Vivekananda.
His simplicity, sacrifice, dedication, and legacy of service will forever remain an inspiration.
I pray to the Almighty that his soul attains peace.

Om Shanti!

Shri H Raja

POST LINK

The Hon'ble Convenor - Co-ordination Committee, TN BJP

கன்னியாகுமரி விவேகானந்தா கேந்திரத்தின் தலைவர் மானனீய ஸ்ரீபாலகிருஷ்ணன் ஜி அவர்கள் காலமானார் என்கிற செய்தி மிகவும் வருத்தமளிக்கிறது.
விவேகானந்தா கேந்திரத்தின் வளர்ச்சி மற்றும் விரிவாக்கத்தில் முக்கிய பங்காற்றியவர்.
தலைமுறைகளைக் கடந்து எண்ணற்ற கார்யகர்த்தர்களுக்கு ஊக்க சக்தியாக விளங்கியவர்.
சேவை, தியாகம், தேசத்தின் மீதான அர்ப்பணிப்பு என விவேகானந்தா கேந்திரம் உருவாக்கப்பட்ட லட்சியத்திற்காக தன் வாழ்வையே அர்ப்பணித்தவர்.
அவரது இழப்பு இந்து சமுதாயத்திற்கும், இந்து இயக்கங்களுக்கும் பேரிழப்பாகும்.
அன்னாரது ஆன்மா எல்லாம் வல்ல இறைவன் திருவடியில் இளைப்பாற பிரார்த்திக்கிறேன்.

ஓம் ஷாந்தி ஷாந்தி ஷாந்தி

(Translated from Tamil)

The news of the passing of the esteemed Shri Balakrishnan Ji, the head of the Kanyakumari Vivekananda Kendra, is deeply distressing.
He played a pivotal role in the growth and expansion of the Vivekananda Kendra.
He served as an inspiration to countless karyakartas across generations.
Through service, sacrifice, and dedication to the nation, he devoted his entire life to the ideals for which the Vivekananda Kendra was founded.
His loss will be an irreplaceable one for the Hindu society and Hindu movements.
I pray that his soul rests in peace at the divine feet of the all-powerful Lord.

Om Shanti Shanti Shanti

Shri Dr.SG Suryah

POST LINK

The Hon'ble State President, Youth Wing, BJP Tamil Nadu

சுவாமி விவேகானந்தரின் உயர்ந்த எண்ணங்களையும், தேச நலனையும் வாழ்வின் மூச்சாகக் கொண்டு வாழ்ந்த விவேகானந்த கேந்திர தலைவர் திரு. பாலகிருஷ்ணன் ஜி அவர்களின் மறைவுச் செய்தி பேரதிர்ச்சியை அளிக்கிறது.
கல்வி, ஆன்மீகம், சமூகப் பணி எனத் தம் வாழ்நாள் முழுவதையும் மக்கள் சேவைக்காகவே அர்ப்பணித்த ஒரு மாமனிதரை நாம் இழந்துவிட்டோம்.
அவரது வழிகாட்டுதலும், அர்ப்பணிப்பு உணர்வும் என்றும் நமக்கு நல்வழிகாட்டியாக விளங்கும்.
அவரை இழந்து தவிக்கும் விவேகானந்த கேந்திர அன்பர்களுக்கும், குடும்பத்தினருக்கும் எனது ஆழ்ந்த இரங்கலைத் தெரிவித்துக் கொள்கிறேன்.
அவரது ஆன்மா அமைதி பெற இறைவனை வேண்டுகிறேன்.

ஓம் சாந்தி!

(Translated from Tamil)

The news of the passing of Mr. Balakrishnan Ji, the leader of Vivekananda Kendra, who lived his life with Swami Vivekananda's lofty ideals and the welfare of the nation as his very breath, delivers a profound shock.
We have lost a great soul who dedicated his entire life to the service of people in the fields of education, spirituality, and social work.
His guidance and sense of dedication will forever serve as a benevolent guide to us.
I convey my deepest condolences to the members of Vivekananda Kendra grieving his loss and to his family.
I

pray to the Divine that his soul may attain peace.

Om Shanti!

Shri KVS Haridas

POST LINK

The Hon'ble BJP Spokesperson, Keralam

Sri A Balakrishnan ji, President of Vivekananda Kendra is no more. He took over this important assignment soon after the demise of Mana. P Parameswarji... and that is his importance. He's associated with #VivekanandaKendra, Kanyakumari since the days of Eaknath Ranade ji.
Pranams

കന്യാകുമാരി വിവേകാനന്ദ കേന്ദ്രം അദ്ധ്യക്ഷൻ ശ്രീ. എ ബാലകൃഷ്ണൻ ജി അന്തരിച്ചു.
ആദരാഞ്ജലികൾ....
@vkendra
#Kanyakumari #ABalakrishnan

Rajeev Chandrasekhar

POST LINK

The Hon'ble State President, BJP. Keralam

Deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Shri A. Balakrishnan Ji, President of the Vivekananda Rock Memorial and Vivekananda Kendra.

His journey from serving the nation in the @IAF_MCC to dedicating his life as a Jeevanvrati under the guidance of Eknath Ranade Ji, was one of extraordinary selflessness, service, and nation-building.

His legacy of sacrifice and seva will continue to inspire generations.

My deepest condolences to the entire Vivekananda Kendra parivar and his admirers.

Om Shanti.

BJP KERALAM

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വിവേകാനന്ദ കേന്ദ്രം അഖിലേന്ത്യാ അധ്യക്ഷൻ മാന്യ ശ്രീ എ ബാലകൃഷ്ണൻ ജി അന്തരിച്ചു.

പി പരമേശ്വർജിക്കുശേഷം വിവേകാനന്ദ കേന്ദ്രത്തിന്റെ അധ്യക്ഷ പദവി ഏറ്റെടുത്ത അദ്ദേഹം, 1973-ൽ വ്യോമസേനയിലെ ഉദ്യോഗം ഉപേക്ഷിച്ച് മാന്യ ഏകനാഥ് റാനഡെജിയുടെ ആഹ്വാനം സ്വീകരിച്ച് വിവേകാനന്ദ കേന്ദ്രത്തിന്റെ ആദ്യ ബാച്ച് 'ജീവൻവ്രതിയായി' മാറിയ അദ്ദേഹം, തന്റെ ജീവിതം പൂർണമായും രാഷ്ട്രസേവനത്തിനായി സമർപ്പിച്ചു.

അരുണാചൽ പ്രദേശിലെ വനവാസി മേഖലകളിൽ വീടുവീടാന്തരം സഞ്ചരിച്ച് കുട്ടികളെ കണ്ടെത്തി വിദ്യാലയങ്ങൾ സ്ഥാപിക്കുകയും, വിദ്യാഭ്യാസ രംഗത്ത് വലിയ മാറ്റങ്ങൾക്ക് നേതൃത്വം നൽകുകയും ചെയ്തു.

സ്വാമി വിവേകാനന്ദന്റെ ഭാരതപരിക്രമയെ അനുസ്മരിപ്പിച്ച് കൽക്കട്ട മുതൽ കന്യാകുമാരി വരെ 347 ദിവസം കൊണ്ട് 22,000 കിലോമീറ്റർ സഞ്ചരിച്ച ചരിത്രയാത്രയുടെ മുഖ്യ സൂത്രധാരനുമായിരുന്നു അദ്ദേഹം.

ജനറൽ സെക്രട്ടറി, വൈസ് പ്രസിഡന്റ്, അഖിലേന്ത്യാ പ്രസിഡന്റ് എന്നീ ഉത്തരവാദിത്വങ്ങൾ വഹിച്ചപ്പോഴും അതുല്യമായ ലാളിത്യം ജീവിതത്തിൽ കാത്തുസൂക്ഷിച്ചു. അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ ജീവിതം ത്യാഗത്തിന്റെയും, സമർപ്പണത്തിന്റെയും മഹത്തായ മാതൃകയാണ്.

രാഷ്ട്രസേവനത്തിനായി ജീവിതം സമർപ്പിച്ച ആ കർമ്മയോഗിയുടെ ത്യാഗപൂർണ്ണമായ ജീവിതം വരുംതലമുറകൾക്ക് മാതൃകയാണ്.

മാന്യ ശ്രീ എ ബാലകൃഷ്ണൻജിയുടെ പവിത്രമായ സ്മരണകൾക്ക് മുന്നിൽ പ്രണാമം.

ഓം ശാന്തി...

(Translated from Malayalam)

Respected Shri A Balakrishnan Ji, All India President of Vivekananda Kendra, has passed away.

After P Parameswarji, he took over the role of President of Vivekananda Kendra. In 1973, he resigned from his position in the Air Force, accepted the call of respected Ekanath Ranadeji, and became a lifelong 'Jeevanvrat' in the first batch of Vivekananda Kendra, dedicating his entire life to national service.

He traveled from door to door in the tribal areas of Arunachal Pradesh, identified children, established schools, and led significant changes in the field of education.

He was the chief coordinator of the historic journey that traveled 22,000 kilometers in 347 days from Kolkata to Kanyakumari, reminiscent of Swami Vivekananda's Bharat Parikrama.

Even while holding responsibilities as General Secretary, Vice President, and All India President, he maintained unparalleled simplicity in his life. His life is a great example of sacrifice and dedication.

The life of that karma yogi, who dedicated his life to national service, is a model of selfless sacrifice for future generations.

Pranam before the sacred memories of respected Shri A Balakrishnanji.

Om Shanti…

Dony Polo Cultural & Charitable Society of Arunachal Pradesh

A Life of Service, A Bond with Arunachal

Mananeeya A. Balakrishnan Ji, President of Vivekananda Kendra Kanyakumari, devoted more than five decades of his life to the ideals of Man-Making and Nation-Building. In the 1970s, he walked the difficult trails of Arunachal Pradesh, carrying the vision of Swami Vivekananda and Eknath Ji Ranade to some of the remotest corners of the Northeast. Through his tireless efforts, he played a significant role in laying the foundations of the Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya movement in Arunachal Pradesh. Today, as he has left his mortal body and journeyed into the eternal, we remember with deep gratitude a life dedicated to service, education and the awakening of the nation.

For Arunachal Pradesh, his contribution was far more than institutional. His bond with the state was emotional, intimate and deeply rooted in its people, culture and aspirations.

He was happiest on the day he visited Nyubu Nyvgam Yerko, Rang, our first Gurukul. The warmth and affection with which he connected with the children and the institution reflected his enduring love for Arunachal and its people.
Balakrishnan Ji was also full of appreciation for Er. Katung Wahge , Founder Chairman of DPCCT, and his vision of nurturing education while preserving the indigenous identity, culture and traditions of Arunachal Pradesh. He saw in this endeavour a continuation of the ideals that had brought him to Arunachal decades ago.

His journey may have begun in the remote hills of Arunachal in the 1970s, but the seeds he planted have grown into institutions, relationships and generations of young lives inspired by the ideals of service and nation-building.

For countless people of Arunachal, Balakrishnan Ji will remain not just a revered Karyakarta, but a son of Arunachal in spirit.
Our heartfelt Shraddhanjali to Mananeeya A. Balakrishnan Ji.
May his life of dedication, service and sacrifice continue to inspire us in the years to come.

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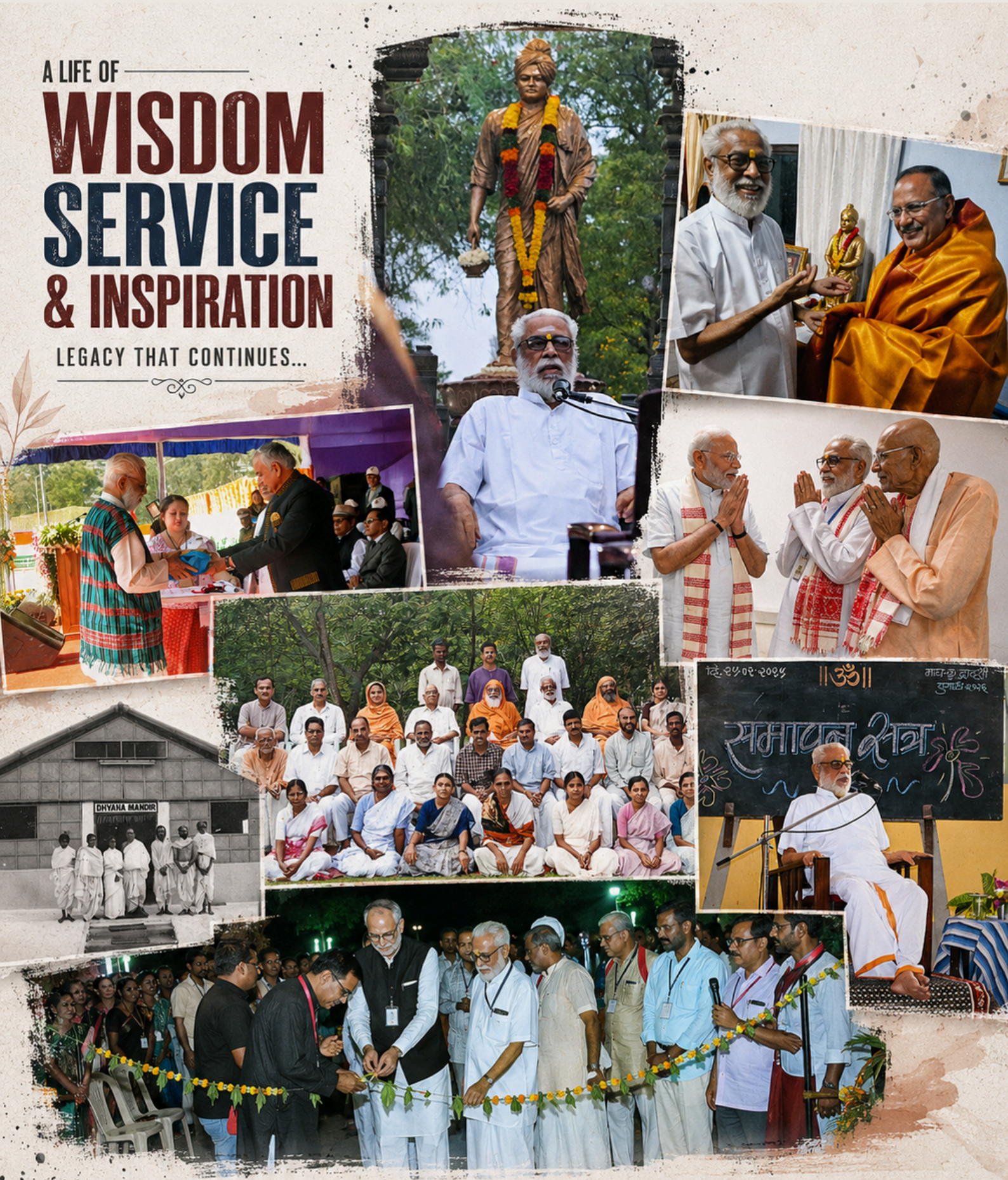
A LIFE OF

WISDOM SERVICE & INSPIRATION

LEGACY THAT CONTINUES...



"Rooted in Dharma, Dedicated to Society, Committed to the Future."